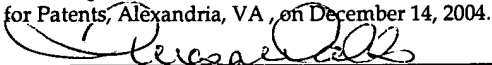




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In the application of:

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CELLS

Examiner: G. Cantelmo

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**NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 23, 2004. The proper identifier as required by 37 CFR 1.121 has been amended in this application. Claim 17 status identifier is corrected to read previously presented.

Please amend the application as follows: